
From: Joelle Gore - NOAA Federal
To: Psyk, Christine
CC: McLerran, Dennis; Will Stelle - NOAA Federal; Garbow, Avi; Kopocis, Ken; Hall, Lynda
Sent: 1/15/2015 5:22:29 PM
Subject: Re: Follow-up with NWEA--Nina Bell

Christine,
Great news all around. I can imagine a best case scenario where the agencies, state, and NWEA were all coordinated on communication. We can all say different things.

Feds: Disapprove with Hope for Change

State: Commitment to Change

NWEA: Acknowledging State Commitment and reiterate NWEA Commitment to Influence Change

Can we connect the dots here?

Thanks, J.

On Thu, Jan 15, 2015 at 5:08 PM, Psyk, Christine <Psyk.Christine@epa.gov> wrote:

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Dennis, Will and all, I want to let you know that Nina contacted me today. She had follow-up questions subsequent to the conversation she had with you and Will last Monday. First and foremost, she reiterated how thrilled and grateful (her words) she was to get the information from you both. She called me because she had been thinking about the communication posture she will take when we issue our decision. She said she wants to be constructive and supportive. However, she is trying to figure out how to frame her constructiveness. She doesn't want to over play it and jeopardize her credibility. She asked whether we would be including in our decision documents and communications anything about the understandings that you and Will have come to with the State so that she could rely on that information to make her own positive representations. I told her that we would be spare and general about the future. We would strike a positive tone and foreshadow a hopeful view of future progress but not speak to any specific understandings of what we expect to happen next. She wasn't surprised and said that she expected this answer but wanted to check it out. She says this makes it more challenging for her to figure out how she will communicate about our decision on or around January 30 but that she wants to be constructive and set a positive tone so that the progress we all want can continue.

She also asked whether Dick and Richard were aware of your talking to her about this matter. This is important for her because she wants to know whether in her future dealings with Richard or Dick she should behave as if they know she knows or not. I told her I assumed you had shared this with Richard and Dick but would confirm with you both. I said I'd send her a very cryptic "yes" or "no" based on what I hear from you. So, let me know how I should respond to her.

Finally, she said she was very pleased to see Richard Whitman attending the recent Board of Forestry meeting. It shows real commitment. We then talked about the rulemaking and she filled me in on some of her concerns about the geographic scope of the rulemaking.

She did not mention or ask about penalties. She's focused on the prize—real changes in forestry practices.

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From: McLerran, Dennis

Sent: Tuesday, January 13, 2015 1:04 PM

To: Psyk, Christine; Garbow, Avi; Kopocis, Ken; Hall, Lynda

Subject: FW: Call with NWEA

Christine and all:

Will Stelle prepared a short summary of our call with Nina Bell yesterday. I am passing it along. It was a very positive call and bodes well for our continued work with Oregon to improve their forest practices.

Dennis

From: will.stelle@noaa.gov [mailto:will.stelle@noaa.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, January 13, 2015 12:43 PM

To: Joelle Gore; Lois Schiffer

Cc: Holly Bamford; Jeff Payne; jeff.dillen@noaa.gov; Lindsey Kraatz - NOAA Affiliate; John King; Kim Kratz; Barry Thom

Subject: Call with NWEA

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Hope this helps.

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From: Joelle Gore

Sent: Tuesday, January 13, 2015 6:52 AM

To: Lois Schiffer

Cc: Holly Bamford, Jeff Payne, Will.Stelle@noaa.gov, jeff.dillen@noaa.gov, Lindsey Kraatz - NOAA Affiliate, John King

Happy to talk at 10am.

My number 301-563-1177.

On Tue, Jan 13, 2015 at 9:47 AM, Lois Schiffer - NOAA Federal <lois.schiffer@noaa.gov> wrote:

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On Tue, Jan 13, 2015 at 8:58 AM, Joelle Gore - NOAA Federal <joelle.gore@noaa.gov> wrote:

Good Morning Lois,

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Thanks, Joelle

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